INTERPOL

# CONNECTING POLICE FOR A SAFER WORLD



**Line Haidar**

Open Ended Technical Expert Group
BMS9 – Programme of Action on SALW
05 June 2026
New York, United States

FIREARMS PROGRAMME

INTERPOL For official use only

# GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

**Opportunities to strengthen responses to emerging threats:**

- Strengthen laws on design files, precursor parts, critical components, and manufacturing equipment
- Criminalize unauthorized manufacture, possession, transfer, and distribution of firearm design files
- Harmonize definitions across jurisdictions (what is considered a firearm?)
- Improve detection through forensic material analysis, print signatures, taggants, and watermarking of digital files
- Strengthen investigation of hybrid arms including through ballistic and supply-chain analysis
- Build capacity for identification, safe handling, evidence preservation, and online monitoring
- Engage private sector: printer, material, software, and platform providers

# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Communication System:** reporting seizures + intelligence sharing



# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Purple Notice:** to seek or provide information on modus operandi, objects, devices and concealment methods used by criminals

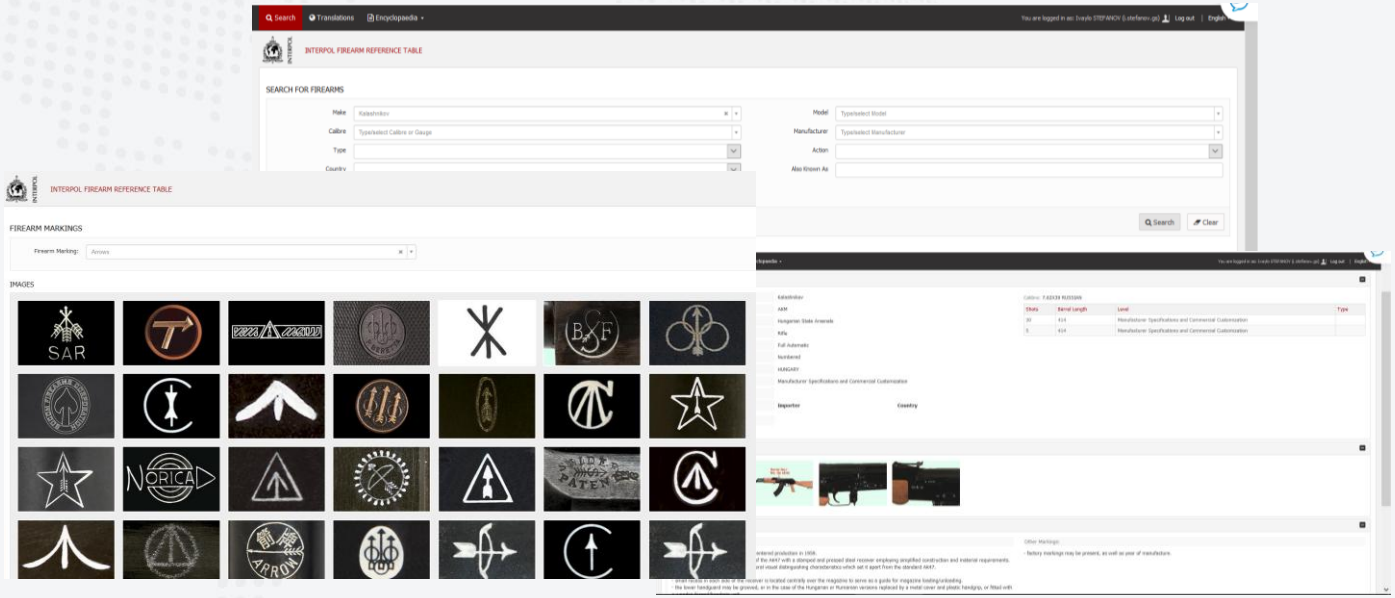





# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Firearms Reference Table:** identification of seized SALW (possibility of expansion to host 3D printed blueprints and seizures + ammunition referential material)

IFRT

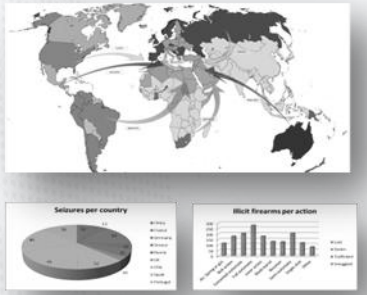


# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Arms Records and tracing Management System:** Tracing of SALW, parts, and components



+2.2 million records of firearms diverted through loss, theft or suspected to be trafficked/smuggled



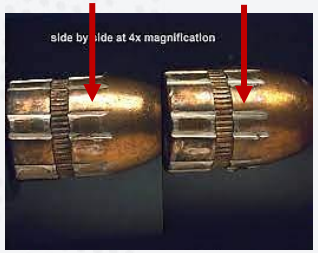

**+ 2.3 million searches**
**+80,000 tracing requests submitted**

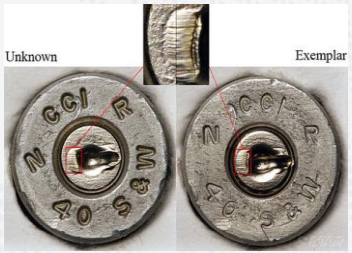
This project is funded by the European Union

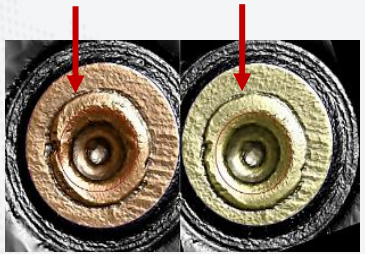
# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Ballistic Information System:** ballistic comparison linking crime scenes globally

IBIN



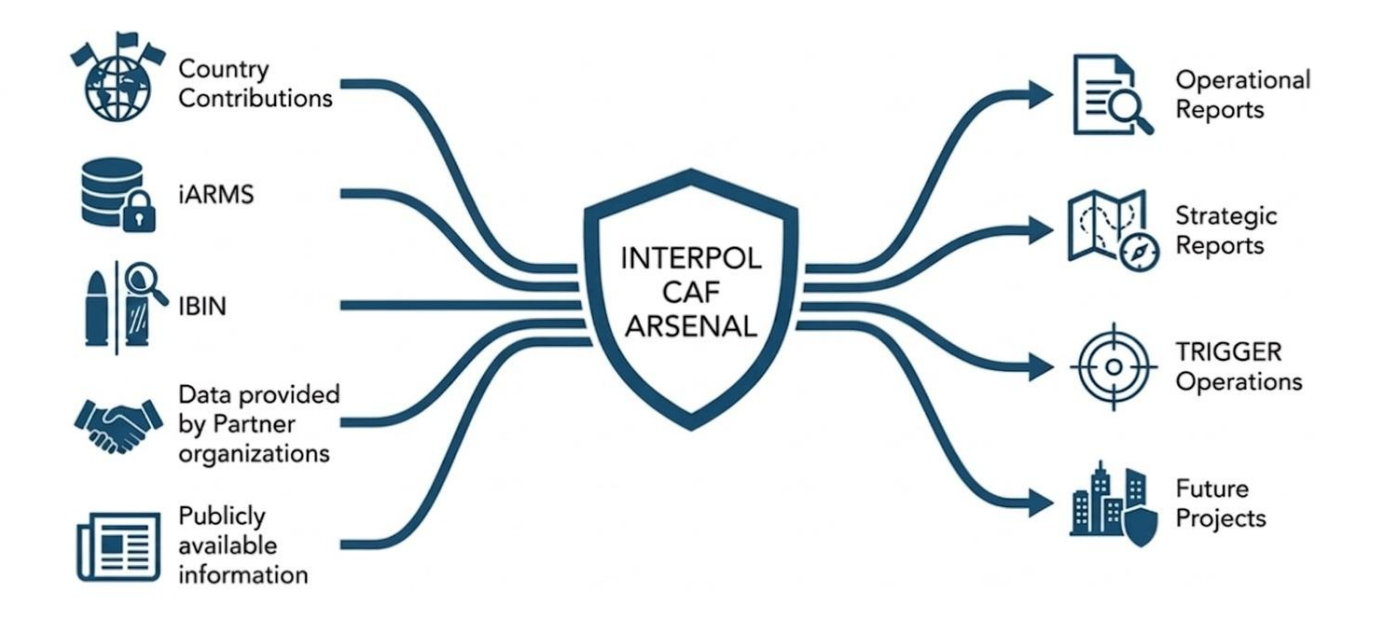



**40 countries connected**
**+ 2,400,000 records**
**+ 108,000 international searches**

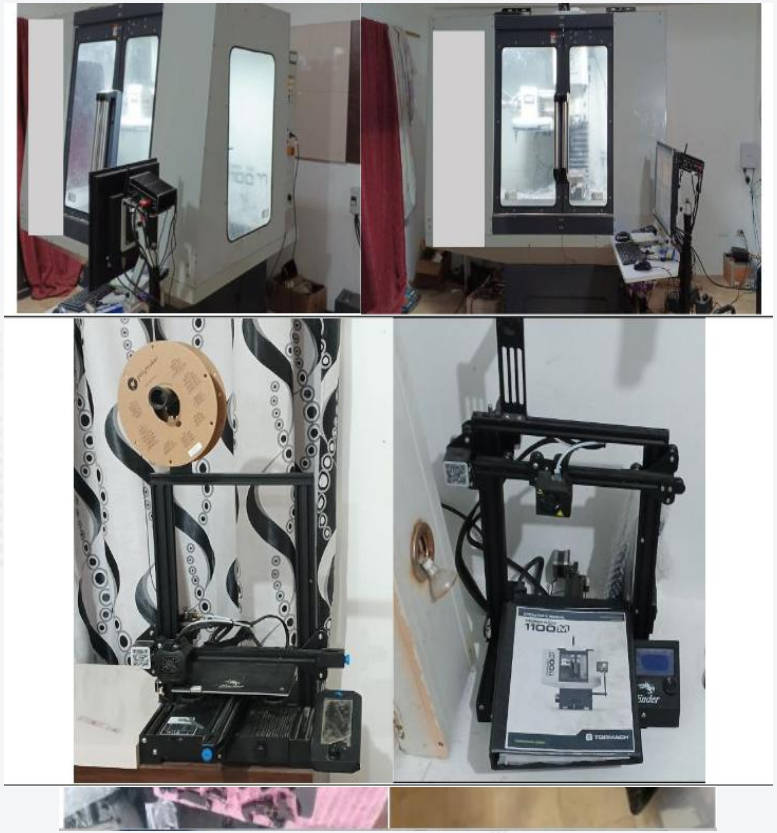
# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **INTERPOL Criminal Analysis Files:** triangulation of intelligence for operational and strategic purposes



# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- **Engagement with Private Sector:**
  - Manufacturers of SALW
  - Manufacturers of 3D printers
  - Online platforms, repositories, and communication channels hosting or facilitating access to digital firearms design files
  - E-commerce platforms and online marketplaces
  - Payment service providers and financial intermediaries
  - Logistics and shipping service providers



# RECOMMENDATIONS

- Use INTERPOL tools: iARMS, IBIN, IFRT, I-24/7, and ARSENAL
- Integrate Firearms Recovery and Investigation Protocols into national procedures
- Strengthen tracing, identification, ballistic comparison, and forensic analysis of PMFs
- Support the enhancement of existing tools and databases to record, trace, analyze, and investigate 3D-printed firearms
- Share intelligence to detect trafficking routes, diversion points, and transnational links
- Participate in INTERPOL-coordinated operations, including Operation TRIGGER
- Build national capacity through INTERPOL training and best practices
- Support continued cooperation on emerging threats linked to 3D-printed and hybrid firearms

INTERPOL

Thank you
Merci
Gracias
شكرا

FIREARMS PROGRAMME

## INTERPOL Technical Paper